EX

21. (Thrice Amended) A composition comprising a recombinant adeno-associated virus (AAV) suspended in a biologically compatible carrier, wherein said recombinant AAV comprises (a) 5' AAV inverted terminal repeats (ITRs), (b) nucleic acid sequences encoding human apolipoprotein E (ApoE), and (c) 3' AAV ITRs, and

wherein the level of contaminating adenoviral helper virus is no greater than that obtained by subjecting said recombinant AAV to four rounds of cesium chloride gradient centrifugation.